

BYLAWS  
OF THE  
SOUTHERN SHENANDOAH VALLEY CHAPTER  
POTOMAC APPALACHIAN TRAIL CLUB

1. Election of Officers. Nominations for elected positions shall be submitted by a nominating committee appointed by the President. Other nominations may be made by written petition of five members submitted to the Secretary-Treasurer in advance of the annual meeting. The President, Vice President, and Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected for a term of two years at the annual meeting of the Chapter in each odd-numbered year and shall assume the duties of those positions on the first day of the next calendar year. Anyone voting for Chapter leadership must be a current member of PATC. The head of the nominating committee should announce and certify that only PATC members vote.
2. Meetings. A majority of Board members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any regular or special meeting. The act of a majority of the Board members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board. The President shall preside at all meetings.
3. Succession. The Vice President, and in his or her absence the Secretary-Treasurer, shall act in the temporary absence of the President. Succession to the office of President shall be in like order.
4. Membership. Membership in the Chapter shall be open to the public without discrimination by sex, race, age, religion or nationality. To vote at meetings, a member must be at least fourteen years of age. Application for membership must be made on a form prescribed by the Board and signed by the applicant. All applications for membership shall be reviewed and acted upon by the Board, which shall have authority to accept new members. Dues and other fees shall be established from time to time by the Board. Members whose dues are unpaid for six months shall be considered delinquent and may be dropped from membership by action of the Board. The Board may expel members after giving one month's notice and an opportunity to respond to charges.
5. Rules and Regulations. The Board may make such rules and regulations as it deems advisable and which are consistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Chapter and the Club.
6. Amendment of Bylaws. These Bylaws may be amended in the same manner as provided in Article VI for amendment of the Constitution.